

CPC meeting
Rockport Police Station
February 9, 2016
7pm

Present: Ruth George (Chairperson), Mary Ann Lash, Ed Hand, Bethany Brosnan, Bruce Reed

Not Present: Phil Crotty (Vice Chairperson), Mel Michaels (Treasurer)

Also present: Jim Ugone

R. George opened the meeting with a list of all the applications the Committee has received.

Mary Devaney from the Right of Way Committee presented her position on maintaining the Right of Way. She explained Rockport is in danger of losing the four mile stretch. She feels it is important for the town in many ways, and also for generations to come. Mary is a first time applicant to CPC, and at this time did not have enough information to present to the Committee. Ruth gave her several helpful suggestions about how to better prepare, and also offered to help her. Mary was encouraged to come back and present again.

Jen Beloff, Director of Client Housing at Action, Inc. attended the meeting to request funding for Action's housing program. She reported 22 Rockport residents were able to utilize the program last year. She added since rental rates continue to climb in Rockport, Action is paying more for rent. Action has received CPC funds in previous years.

Minus the \$350,000 given to Millbrook Meadows, the estimate of available CPC funds totals \$1,502,000. The remaining funds are not enough to cover all the projects that have applied for CPC funding. Ruth noted all applications were turned in by the deadline, and the town clerk along with the Board of Selectmen have copies of them.

Ruth informed the Committee that Julie has stepped down, and Steve DeMarco will return to the Committee.

Ruth noted the CPC has only three meetings remaining in which to hear all applicants. After some discussion, a preliminary list was formed:

- March – Sandpiper, Seniors Recreation, Tennis Courts, and Fire Station.
- April - Right of Way and the four DPW requests.
- May – Straitsmouth Island, and those applicants who need to come back for a second time.

Ruth will send out a final monthly schedule to Committee members.

Phil will talk about signage next week.

A motion was made to accept December minutes, motion was seconded, vote was a unanimous yes.

Jim Ugone, a recent member of the Historic Commission attended the meeting to get an idea of what the CPC is all about. He has been visiting different Committees to consider which one he might like to join.

Note: CPC has never had a project turned down at town meeting.

B. Reed made a motion to adjourn, E. Hand seconded, vote was a unanimous yes.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30pm.